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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 16, 2008 and the Examiner's Interview of September 16, 2008, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this submission.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this submission.